

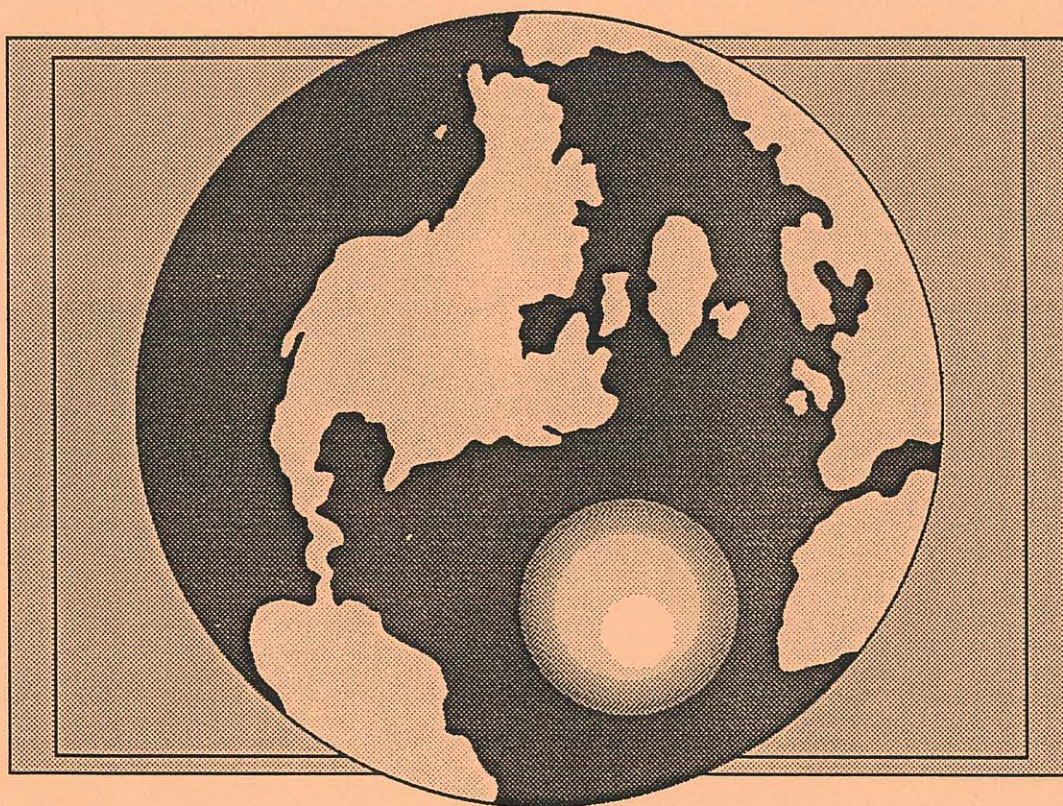
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## CORAL REEF MANAGEMENT



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Coral reefs are one of the most productive ecosystems in the world, often existing in the middle of poor oceanic environments. They occur in tropical shallow waters mainly between 30° N and 30° S. Human activity has impacted coral reefs through tourism, fishing, boating, pollution and coastal development. As these activities increase, more countries are realizing the need to protect their coral reef resources.

Smaller nations are monitoring and managing their reef areas with the assistance of large international organizations, since coral reefs are often their principal basis of sustenance. Other countries are also realizing that coral reefs are a fragile national resource requiring better conservation measures.

This brief bibliography is intended to provide a selected guide to recent literature on coral reef management issues together with a small number of older items contained in the extensive collections of the NOAA Central Library. Current references were selected from Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts and Biological Abstracts databases.

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